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February 24, 2004

Sir:

Responsive to the October 24, 2003 Office Action, the due date for response having been extended one (1) month, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Replacement Abstract of the Disclosure;

Amendments to the Specification;

Amended Claim Set; and

Remarks.



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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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INDEPENDENT	2	-	3	=	0	\$ 86	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						\$290	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$0.00

Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$110.00 for the extension of time.

No fee is required.

Check(s) in the amount of \$110.00 is(are) enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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